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U.S. Serial No: 09/900,625

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 - 1.99, Applicant is providing herewith the following citations for inclusion in the record of the above-identified patent application:

<u>US Patent</u>	<u>Issued</u>	<u>Inventor</u>
5,372,617	Dec 13, 1994	Kerrebrock <i>et al.</i>
3,210,157	Oct 05, 1965	Lewis <i>et al.</i>
3,615,215	Oct 26, 1971	Von Dohren <i>et al.</i>
5,804,329	Sep 08, 1998	Amendola
PCT WO 98/30493	Published Jul 16, 1998	Wakefield <i>et al.</i>
Eur App. 1 067 091 A2	Published Jan 10, 2001	Suda

The following citations are generally directed to chemistry for hydrogen generation by hydrolysis of borohydride solutions.

Brown *et al.* J.A.C.S. 84, pp 1493-1494, 1962

Schlesinger *et al.* J.A.C.S. 75, pp 215-219, 1958

Levy *et al.* Industrial & Engineering Chemistry, 52, No. 3, pp 211-214, 1960

Kaufman *et al.* J. Chem. Soc., Dalton Trans, pp 307-313, 1985

The following citations are authored in whole or in part by one or more of the present inventors. None of them teaches or suggests the specific configuration of the presently claimed portable hydrogen generator.

Amendola *et al.* Prep. Symp. Am. Chem. Soc. Fuel Div., 44 pp 864-868, 1999.

Amendola *et al.* Joint Int. Meeting, The Electrochem. Soc./The Electrochem. Soc. of Japan, Abstract No. 423, October, 1999.

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Amendola *et al.* 200 Future Car Congress 2000-01-1541, pp 1-3, 2000.

Amendola *et al.* International Journal of Hydrogen Energy 25, pp 969-975, 2000.

Amendola *et al.* Journal of Power Sources 85, pp 186-189, 2000.

Copies of the aforementioned citations are submitted herewith as well as a completed form PTO-1449. The listed citations are believed to provide background information for the present invention. The submission thereof does not constitute an admission that they are relevant or material to the claims presented for examination. This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted before the issuance of an Office Action on the merits in the above-identified patent application. Hence, it is submitted that no fee is required for its submission.

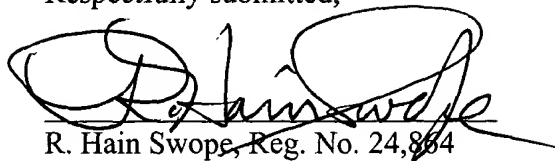
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Favorable examination on the merits is respectfully solicited.

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